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TEXT: 1. (S/NF) ONLY MINOR INCIDENTS, INCLUDING ONE RPG ROUND FIRED AT UN HELICOPTERS, WERE REPORTED.
2. (S/NF) AIDEED FORCES MAY BE MAKING MOLOTOV COCKTAILS TO USE AGAINST UNOSOM FORCES.
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3. (SARF) MOGADISHU. MOGADISHU WAS RELATIVELY QUIET ON 1 SEPTEMBER, WITH ONLY MINOR INCIDENTS REPORTED. TWO QUICK REACTION FORCE HELICOPTERS WERE FIRED ON, ONE BY AN RPG AND THE OTHER WITH SMALL ARMS, BUT NEITHER AIRCRAFT WAS DAMAGED. THE RPG SHOT WAS OBSERVED BY THE HELICOPTER OVERFLYING AN AREA AROUND K-4 CIRCLE.

4. (SARF) AIDeed FACTION ACTIVITIES. AIDeed FORCES HAVE REPORTEDLY BEGUN TO MANUFACTURE MOLOTOV COCKTAILS TO BE USED AGAINST UNOSOM II FORCES. WOMEN AND CHILDREN HAVE BEEN ASKED TO THROW THESE BOMBS INTO ANY OPEN MILITARY VEHICLES CARRYING UNOSOM PERSONNEL; THESE ATTACKS ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE PLACE NEAR K-4 AND BENADIR HOSPITAL. COMMENT: WOMEN AND CHILDREN WILL MOST LIKELY BE USED BECAUSE AIDeed AND HIS GUNMEN BELIEVE UN FORCES WILL NOT SHOOT AT THEM.

5. (SARF) AIDeed IS REPORTEDLY NO LONGER ABLE TO MAKE ALL THE DECISIONS WITHIN HIS ORGANIZATION. ALL DECISIONS ARE MADE WITH OR BY OSMAN ATTO, HIS PRINCIPAL ADVISER AND FINANCIAL BACKER, AND ABDI GHALDI, ANOTHER OF HIS ADVISERS. ATTO'S DEEP INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION-MAKING IS SUPPOSEDLY BECAUSE HE HAS ALREADY LOST MONEY AND PRESTIGE BECAUSE OF AIDeed AND WANTS TO KNOW HOW HIS MONEY IS BEING SPENT.

6. (U) AIDeed PROPAGANDA. THE PRO-AIDeed NEWSPAPER XOG-OGAALE PRINTED AN ARTICLE ON 1 SEPTEMBER THAT STATED AIDeed AND THE SOMALI NATIONAL ALLIANCE WILL NOT NEGOTIATE WITH UNOSOM OR "CLINTON." AIDeed WAS QUOTED AS SAYING "THE AMERICANS HAVE MASSACRED INNOCENT CIVILIANS AND THE COLONIZING CLINTON IS BEHIND THESE ACTS AND IS OPPOSED TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY." AIDeed ALSO URGED THE US GOVERNMENT SYSTEM AND THE PEOPLE TO "STOP CLINTON'S MASSACRE AGAINST THE SOMALI PEOPLE."

7. (SARF) AIDeed. THIRD WORLD OFFICIALS IN UNOSOM II WHO DO NOT AGREE WITH UN POLICIES IN SOMALIA HAVE REPORTEDLY LEAKED INFORMATION TO AIDeed FORCES. THESE OFFICIALS USE LOCAL FOREIGN SERVICE NATIONALS WORKING FOR THE UN TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION. ATTO WAS REPORTEDLY WARNED 2 HOURS IN ADVANCE THAT HIS HOUSE WOULD BE ATTACKED BY UNOSOM FORCES. COMMENT: THIS REPORT MAY REFER TO THE 26 AUGUST UNOSOM SEARCH OF ATTO'S GARAGE.

8. (SARF) ELSEWHERE IN SOMALIA. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS STATED THAT ABOUT 150 PROBABLE AIDeed SUPPORTERS ATTACKED XAGER ON THE 31ST. SEVERAL SOMALIS WERE KILLED, AND LARGE QUANTITIES OF WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION WERE SEIZED.

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